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RUMSEY'S HONEST SEEDS

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RAMBLER ROSES.

HELENE.

A grand new climbing rose, seedling from

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See description of Helene on coloured pages, and Rambler Collection in Rose List.

✦ HERBERT J. RUMSEY ✦

SEED MERCHANT & IMPORTER,
BORONIA, BARBER'S CREEK, N.S.W.

EARLY ORDER DISCOUNT.—It is to my interest as well as yours that your Order should be in before the rush of the Season comes on, as I have time to give it more attention, and am more likely to have everything you want. To induce you to send it in early, I always give some premium for Orders received between time of publishing Catalogue and August 1st. For 1900 it will be an extra packet of Choice Flower Seeds or three Ixia Bulbs. This will be given with all Orders for PACKET SEEDS amounting to over 2s. 6d.

READY AND WAITING.

THIS CATALOGUE will be READY to post out to my customers on April 1st. As the List now reaches thousands, you will not all get it at once, but most of them will be out by the end of the month. From April 1st I shall be WAITING for your orders, and as soon as they arrive they will be executed.

The last season, although better in many districts than the two previous ones, was anything but favourable to gardening, but we must not be discouraged; the result in a good season is worth a few failures. In spite of the bad season, I get scores of letters testifying to the good qualities of "RUMSEY'S HONEST SEEDS." I have not room to publish them, I do not think it necessary, as old customers know their value, and new ones will soon find out for themselves. I am also glad to hear from friends who have had failures. Sometimes I have found out that something is wrong, and am waiting to hear where the bad seed has gone to rectify matters. This is a thing that is not likely to occur often, but seed is not like stock that keeps for ever; sometimes fresh seed will go off quality very suddenly, and refuse to germinate. We had one lot of Onion Seed last season that germinated quickly and well in May, but very few seeds would come up in June. Some of this went out before it was found out. I shall be glad to send a fresh packet where this occurred.

OFF TO THE TRANSVAAL.

I am not able to go myself, but many of my customers have gone, or their sons and brothers. Many of these intend to stop in that fertile country after the war is over. They will find "RUMSEY'S HONEST SEEDS" have been there before them. I should like this Catalogue to be in the hands of every Australian colonist in the Transvaal, and will post one to any address in the world. Remember, it costs no more to send a packet of "RUMSEY'S HONEST SEEDS" to South Africa than it does to any place in Australia; and our boys must start with good seed, they cannot get that if they get the land from the Boers.

GET YOUR NEIGHBOURS' ORDERS.

Notice that although four 6d. packets cost 2s., you can get six for 2s. 6d., and great reduction for larger numbers, so that you can reduce the cost of your own seeds considerably in this way: and not only that, but when one customer sends two or more orders at the same time, I always put in something extra in acknowledgment.

EXTRA PACKETS.

If you notice one or more extra packets in with your order, don't return and say you did not order, but keep them with my compliments. It's a way I have, and the larger the order the more generous I feel. There is another thing that makes me feel that way, that is a list of your neighbours who plant seeds.

FEDERATION.

Before the next Catalogue is published we shall be no longer a group of separate colonies, but states of a grand federation. The federal postal and customs tariff may make some slight difference in price, but customers may depend on their getting the benefit of any reductions that are made, while I must reserve the right of charging any additional postage that is put on.

HOW TO SEND MONEY.

Amounts up to 1s. may be sent in stamps of any English-speaking country; above that amount I prefer Postal Notes or Post Office Orders. If these are not available, coin may be sent pasted between two thicknesses of cardboard, and registered; Pound Notes should always be registered. I only get 10s. from the Bank for One Pound Notes of other colonies, so they should be reckoned as that amount.

PROMPT REPLIES.

I make it a rule to reply to all correspondence, and to send orders by post, the day following receipt of letter. If any delay occurs, please send me a post card at once. Above all, to prevent delay, always be particular in writing name and address very distinctly. With best wishes for a prosperous season,

I remain, yours obediently,

HERBERT J. RUMSEY.

NOVELTIES AND SPECIALITIES.

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

NEW ROCK MELON.— Golden Eagle.

THE fruit are of good size, remarkably fine quality, and firm enough to stand shipping. The oval fruit are quite uniform in size, about 10 inches long and 7 inches in diameter, well ribbed, heavily netted, and of a light golden hue when ripe. The flavor and aroma of the ripened fruit are delicious; the rich salmon-coloured flesh is sweet and melting.

Packet, 6d. and 1s.



GOLDEN EAGLE.

NEW FRENCH BEAN.—Burpee's Stringless Green-pod—Surpasses all others in rich, tender flavor; handsome, straight, fleshy pods, all absolutely stringless, and ready for table about two weeks earlier than other sorts. 6d. and 1s. packet.

NEW CABBAGE.—Charleston or Large Wakefield—Since I brought the EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD into prominence, some years ago, it has attained such a name as being the "sweetest little Cabbage in existence," that I think that no apology is needed for introducing the Charleston, or large type of Wakefield. It is not quite so early as the E. Jersey. 6d. and 1s. packet, post free.

NEW CARROT.—Long Yellow Stump Rooted—A splendid variety with long tapering roots, rounded at the end. A true yellow color; excellent table quality. 6d. and 1s. packet, post free.

BEET.—Burpee's Extra Early—It makes a fine market crop in seven or eight weeks from sowing. Fine globular shape, roots very smooth. In color the flesh is of alternate rings of light and dark pink; very tender and sweet. Packets, 6d. and 1s., post free. Post free.

WATER MELON.—New National—After introducing to the Australian growers the Wonderful (McIvor) Sugar Melon, and Kleckley Sweets Water Melon, we hardly think it possible to put forward anything superior; but the especial claim of the NEW NATIONAL is that, while the quality is first-class, it will thrive almost anywhere, and adapts itself to a very wide range of soil and climate. It is so solid that a 40lb. New National will not appear larger than a 25lb. of some other varieties. 6d. and 1s. packet, post free.

EGG PLANT.—New York Improved Large Purple—The Egg Plant is one of the most delicious of vegetables known, and this is, without exception, the best variety of it. 6d. and 1s. packet, post free.

NEW COMBINATION TOMATO.

A splendid sort for home use or for market ; strong, vigorous growth ; fruit borne at every second leaf joint ; bright shining scarlet ; medium to large size ; round, smooth, and free from cracks ; flesh solid, seed cavity very small, heavy cropper, good keeper. 6d. and 1s. packet.

EARLY BORONIA TOMATO.

I have been selling this Tomato for two years, and it has given great satisfaction ; reports are all strongly in favor of it being the best early Tomato. While it is the first to ripen, it yields immense clusters of beautiful fruit. One grower claims to have obtained a good half bushel from each plant, every one as smooth as an apple. The seed of this Tomato cannot be obtained of any other seedsman in Australia. Price, 6d. and 1s. packet.

NEW TOMATO.—Fordhook Fancy.

The fruit is of large size, very solid, with but few seeds, of a rich ruby red color and delicious flavor. The handsome, smooth fruit are borne in large clusters at every joint, which are close together, so that the plant presents a very crowded appearance. It is unique and has a very great resemblance to a potato, and is so compact and erect in growth that stakes will not be required for it.

6d. and 1s. per packet.

ANOTHER NEW LIVINGSTON TOMATO.—Yellow Prince.

Its rank and sturdy though compact growth make it very interesting to cultivate, and this, together with its beauty and usefulness, will delight every lover of a good garden. It is of a delicious flavor, superior to most of the yellow sorts. Extra selected seed, grown by Livingston, the introducer, 6d. and 1s. per packet.

One 6d. Packet of each of the above Four New Tomatoes Post Free for 1s. 6d., or Four Shilling Packets for 3s.

ASPARAGUS PEA.—*Lotus tetragonolobus*.

The Winged Asparagus Pea has called forth many letters of praise, both on account of its beautiful growth and fine flavor when the young pods are cooked like asparagus or French beans. Of neat, spreading habit, about 10 inches high, each plant covers a circular space of about 2 feet in diameter. The deep red or scarlet flowers in profusion make a pleasing contrast with the light green clover-like leaves. The pods, borne erect in pairs, from 100 to 200 on a plant, are 2 to 3 inches long, with fringed wings. It is very hardy and excites curiosity wherever seen. Cultivate same as ordinary peas. 6d. and 1s. per packet.

NEW PRESERVING MELON.—Jumbo.—In 1898 we had a stray vine of

Preserving Melon that showed marked peculiarities. It yielded no less than 766 lbs. of immense Melons, weighing individually from 25 lb. to 60 lb. After selling three of the largest, six of them were placed in a wheelbarrow and photographed, nearly 3 cwt. in six melons—a fair barrowload. They make splendid jam or jelly. We have saved a large quantity of the seed, and offer at 6d. and 1s. per packet, post free.

Mr. VALDER, of Hawkesbury College, writes :—

"The Jumbo Melon is a good cropper and preserves well."



FASHIONABLE FLOWERS.

PANSIES. SUNFLOWERS. SWEET PEAS. SIX CHOICE PANSIES.

King of the Blacks—Flowers intensely dark, almost coal black. 6d. packet.

Prince Bismarck—Beautiful shades of brown and golden bronze marbled. 6d. packet.

Royal Prize Pansies—Fancy, showy, and giant varieties in splendid mixture, comprising a mixture of all the best English, German, and French show pansies; fancy striped and spotted pansies, and the giant flowered varieties. 6d. packet.

Striped and Mottled—Selection of best of these favorite varieties. 6d. pkt.

Burpee's Defiance Pansies—The largest circular pansies known. The finest giant flowered pansies in cultivation, the individual flowers frequently measure from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 inches in diameter, of perfect form, circular shape, and of unusual substance. 1s. packet.

Large Flowering—Very fine mixed. All colors of German pansies. 9d. packet.  A packet of each of the above six sorts for 2/6, post free.

THREE CHOICE SUNFLOWERS.

Chrysanthemum Flowered—Grows 2 ft. high, and bears profusely all the summer; perfectly double; color brightest golden yellow. Plants remain in bloom a long time and bear flowers of all sizes suitable for bunching. 6d. packet.

Golden Nigger—A distinct new variety of Sunflower, of strong, vigorous growth, five to six feet high, bearing numerous large single flowers from four to six inches in diameter of bright golden yellow with brown, nearly black, centre. The stalks and leaf stems are also very dark, almost black—hence the name "Golden Nigger." 6d. packet.

"Stella" or "Star"—The small Sunflowers measure three to four inches across, and are borne in hundreds on handsome, bushy plants, contrasting elegantly with the small, rich green foliage being produced gracefully on long stems. They are excellent for house decoration. 6d. per packet.

 The collection of three Sunflowers post free 1/3.

SOME CHOICE SWEET PEAS.

Cupid—White, the first of this new race of Dwarf Sweet Peas. 3d. packet.

Pink Cupid—A great improvement on the white; it forms a low, bushy plant, 6 to 8 inches high, and from a foot to 18 inches round, shooting up stalks about 6 inches high which bear from three to four handsome blossoms in full bloom at once. 121 stalks have been counted in blossom on a single plant. Grown as easily as any other sort of sweet pea. 6d. per packet.

Beauty Cupid—This is said to be by far the finest individual type of flower in the Cupid race. Bears flowers as perfect in form and substance as the best of the tall sweet peas. The standard is a delicate, yet decided, rose color, lightening to nearly white at the edges. A very free bloomer. 1s. packet.

Navy Blue—The only Sweet Pea that is of a true blue color. An entirely distinct color. General color effect, dark blue; standards, brilliant royal purple; wings, pure violet; the whole flower elegantly veined in sharp relief. A most vigorous grower. 1s. packet.

Gorgeous—The most gorgeous coloring yet produced in Sweet Peas. Erect, broadly expanded. Standard of rich orange salmon, deepening in the veins. Wings quite large of suffused orange salmon, deeper in shade than the standard. 9d. per packet, post free.

1900 Mixture—Giant new Sweet Peas. This mixture of Sweet Peas is undoubtedly the best ever offered. It contains only new-named varieties of the large flowering type. The seed of each has been grown separately, and only the largest-flowered, most beautiful new Sweet Peas have been selected and mixed. 6d. per packet, post free.

 A packet of each of the above Six Sweet Peas for 2/6, post free.



A packet of each of the Fifteen Sorts of Fashionable Flowers mentioned on this page post free for 5/6.



NEW ROSES.



Helene—The New Rambler. A seedling from Crimson Rambler of more robust growth, but not so rigid as its parent, being more elegant and graceful in habit. A quick, healthy grower, foliage similar to Crimson Rambler, but less subject to mildew. The flower is larger than Crimson Rambler, almost double, and of excellent substance, remaining in perfection for several weeks. The color is a pure soft violet rose, almost blush; base of petals a yellowish white, while the numerous anthers and pistils are pure yellow and rise boldly from the flower. The buds are carmine, finely mossed, 20 to 50 in a cluster. Thousands of plants have been sold in America this season at 1 dol. each. Price, 2/6. *See illustration on cover.*

Beryl—Probably the most perfect Buttonhole Rose ever raised; buds long and pointed, of a deep orange color. Price, 2/6.

Jubilee—H.P. A pure red in its deepest tone, shading to deep crimson red in the depths of its petals. "The coloring is alive." "It fairly glows in its rich warmth of coloring." The rich velvety finish to the petals is all its own, and is not even approached by any other Rose yet introduced. It is admirable, unique, and, as Mr. Shayler Matthews, the celebrated artist, said, "This rose contains the darkest color, combined with pure color, of which nature is capable." Price, 2/- each.

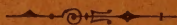
White Maman Cochet—A snowy white sport from that magnificent rose Maman Cochet. It has the same freedom of bloom, magnificent form of buds and flowers, which is marvellously beautiful in its perfection. 1/6 each.

Climbing Kaiserin Augusta Victoria—A sport from that fine Rose whose name it bears, and identical with it in hardiness, freedom of bloom, color, and size of flowers. This is proving to be the best White Climber ever raised. One of the best Roses for exhibition or any other purpose. Price, 1/6 each.

Ard's Rover—H.P. This is the darkest of all climbing Roses, and a variety that rosarians have been looking for for a long time. It is as dark as Prince Camille de Rohan, and a good climber. It blooms well after the second year. Price, 1/6 each.  Postage and packing on any of the above Roses 6d. extra.



I will send one each of the above Six New Roses for 10/6, or post free, well packed for 6d. extra.



OTHER NEW VARIETIES.

- Coronet—H.T. Extra large; rose pink; sweetly scented. 2/6.
- Billiard and Barre—T.S. New climber; large flower; rich golden orange. 2/6.
- Climbing Countess Labarthe—T. Magnificent Rose, valuable novelty. 2/6.
- Daisy—H.T. Rosy pink, suffused silvery pink, perfect shape. 2/6.
- Duchess Marie von Ratibor—T. Long pointed buds, blood red, shaded maroon. 2/6.
- Countess of Caledon—H.T. Bright rose, large, growth vigorous, extra fine. 2/6.
- Grand Duc Ernest Ludwig (Red Marechal Neil)—Rich carmine. 2/6.
- Josephine Dauphin—T. Creamy white, edged lilac and pink. 2/6.
- L'Innocence—H.T. Large, full, and globular, brilliant whiteness. 2/6.
- Mdm. Reinespde St. Marcean—T. Long buds, strawberry red, distinct veins. 2/6.
- Mdm. Eugene Boulet—H.T. Rich orange yellow, sometimes shaded carmine. 2/6.
- Mrs. Robt. Garrett—H.T. Glowing shell-like pink, shape perfect. 2/6.
- Mdm. Jacques Charreton—T. Outer milky white, centre coppery salmon. 2/6.
- Margarita de Simonie—T. Bright carmine rose, tinted yellow and orange. 2/6.
- Rose D'evian—T. Magenta buds, carmine centre. 2/6.
- Rev'd. Allan Cheales—H.P. Carmine lake, back silvery white. 2/6.
- Robert Duncan—H.P. Large, bold flower, rosy lake. 1/6.
- White Lord Jarquin—T. A first-class white sport. 1/6.

Novelties of 1899.

Reduced to 1s. 6d. each (post extra).

- Climbing Meteor—H.T. Sport from Meteor, very good.
 Climbing Sour de Wootton—H.T. Red, of extraordinary vigor, good.
 Chevalier Angelo Ferrario—Brilliant red, better style than Marion Dingee.
 Empress Alexander of Russia—T. Rich lake red, shaded orange and fiery crimson.
 Ferdinand Jamain—H.T. Large, full globular, rosy carmine, shaded salmon.
 Ferdinand Batel—H.T. Large creamy white, rich nankeen yellow centre.
 Etoile de Mai (Pol)—Rich nankeen yellow, beautifully shaped buds.
 Irene Watts (H. Bengal)—Salmon white in bud, changing to salmon rose.
 Mdm. Abel Chateney—H.T. Rosy carmine shaded.
 Mdm. Louis Gravier—T. Light salmon, tinted orange, edged rosy carmine.
 Miss Ethel Richardson—H.T. Large, high centred flowers, pure white, flesh centre.
 Mosella (H. Pol)—Vigorous, free flowering, white yellow base. A perfect rosette.
 Merrie England—H.P. The best striped rose.
 Otahuhu Hybrid—H.T. Sweet scented, bright rose, deeper veins.
 Perledes Rouges (Pol.)—Best red dwarf Polyantha.
 Sheila—H.T. Semi-double, brilliant red.
 Souvenir de Catherine Guillot—T. Orange red, tinted carmine, beautiful.
 Souv. de Jeanne Cabaud—T. Yellow shaded carmine, centre peach.
 Tom Wood—H.P. Brilliant cherry red; exhibition flower.
 Violiniste Emile Leveque—H.T. Flesh rose shaded yellow, orange centre.

 Please remember to add the postage to the prices for Roses unless One Dozen or more is ordered, when we will send them post free and well packed.

Full description sent of any Rose if required.

THE LOGAN BERRY.

A Wonderful New Hybrid.

This new Berry is a Hybrid between the Blackberry and the Red Raspberry, and is superior to both its parents. The canes grow from 8 to 10 feet in a season, and are covered with spines, not thorns. It does not sicken, and grows only from layers or cuttings.

The fruit is red and as large as the largest blackberry. The flavor is very pleasant, mild, vinous, and delicious. Seeds very small.

The vines are enormous bearers; the fruit commences to ripen very early.

It has been tested in these colonies for several years, and is considered so valuable that nurserymen are preferring to save their stock for the crop of fruit to selling the plants. It receives unstinted praise from all who see it.

Plants, 2/6 each; post free, 3/-

 Order Early, as the demand is sure to be greater than the supply.

Orders filled in rotation.

Novelties in Plants.

RUDBECKIA (Golden Glow.)

A hardy herbaceous plant, dying down in the autumn, and shooting again from the crown in spring. Introduced three years ago in America, and has rapidly become a very popular plant, not only there, but in Europe, frequent reference of late being made in the horticultural Press to its very satisfactory character. The foliage is so handsome as to constantly call forth remarks from visitors, as to its name, &c, this being before bloom shows. In February it begins to flower, being then from four to six feet high, bearing handsome bright yellow double flowers—like a double Cactus Dahlia almost—on long, clean, wiry stems, from nine to fifteen inches in length. These flowers last a week or ten days in water. The flowers are from two to three inches across.

1/- per plant, post free ; carries perfectly by post.

Some Beautiful Grasses.

HIMALAYA FAIRY GRASS (*Miscanthus Nepalense*).

This hardy perennial grass is very nearly related to the beautiful *Eulalia* of Japan, but, unlike them, is not coarse in plume. It has readily stood 15 degrees of frost in New South Wales, which was to be expected, considering its place of origin. The plume is soft, feathery, and graceful, and of a delightful old gold color. From a root a large clump is formed in one season. The plant blooms in April and May, and, providing plenty of water is given it and that it gets the fullest sunshine, it yields better-colored plumes than when forced on with strong manures. Under the latter treatment the plumes are larger decidedly, but lack the chief beauty of the grass, viz., its color ; and if given too shady a position it is apt to develop its flower-heads too late to properly mature them. As soon as the tip of the plume shows at the end of the sheath it should be cut and hung upside down till quite dry, the sheath being stripped off first ; then to get the plumes in their full beauty they require to be held upside down over a sharp dry heat—at the back of the fireplace will do—where the hot draught will blow the “feathers” back and cause them to curl like ostrich feathers. The grass lasts in this condition for years, retaining its color, and never shaking out like many of the ornamental grasses. A common remark of ladies is, “What a beautiful ornament it would make for a hat.” Roots, 1s., post free ; seed, 1s. packet.

CHENILLE

A charming Grass from California, with stems 15 to 18 in. long, with heads like a long, beautiful, velvety, chenille-like tassel. It is a soft, greyish-brown, and curled in the most lovely manner. It is entirely new, makes a charming bouquet for a vase or other ornament, and is extremely pretty for trimming hats, either in a bunch like a pompom, or in a wreath or band. It is a perennial.
1s. roots ; seeds, 6d. packet.

PURPLE FOUNTAIN (*Pennisetum Ruppelianum*).

Peter Henderson, of New York, says :—

“If there was any one thing in our trial grounds this past Summer that attracted more attention than anything else it was this grass. The numerous leaves are narrow, bright green, and very long. They arch over gracefully from the centre to a circumference forming a perfect fountain. The plant alone is beautiful, but from July until frost its attractiveness is enhanced by feathery purple cylindrical heads which bend over on their long slender stalks into every variety of the line of beauty. Eventually these flower heads expand still more until the whole plant is veiled with nodding clouds of purple.”

Roots, 1s. ; seeds, 6d. packet ; post free.

Ribbon Grass.—Beautiful for bouquets. Plants, 6d. ; post free.

1900 Quality Collection, 1s. 6d.

NEW ASTER—SEMPLE'S BRANCHING.

A magnificent new American strain, producing handsome double flowers on long stems. Finest colors mixed.

6d. packet ; post free.

NEW CENTAUREA—MARGUERITE.

This Novelty in "Cornflowers" is entirely distinct from all others, and is undoubtedly the best variety known. The plants grow about 18 inches high, and are of easiest culture.

6d. packet ; post free.

DELPHINUM FORMOSUM.

Perennial Larkspur. Bears rich deep blue flowers on long stems. Most valuable for cut flower work.

6d. packet.

FUCHSIA.

Most lovers of Fuchsias find a difficulty in getting plants of as many varieties as they would like on account of the expense of buying and the difficulty of obtaining new sorts. They are easily grown from seed. The seed I offer is grown from the very finest double and single varieties.

6d. packet ; post free.

GODETIA.

Very free-flowering, hardy annuals. Flower best in cool situations. Flowers are cup-shaped, and of very delicate, silvery texture and brilliant coloring. Very fine mixture.

6d. packet ; post free.

HOLLYHOCK.

Splendid free-flowering perennials, producing grand spikes of beautiful flowers from four to six feet high. This mixture of the choicest double flowers and brilliant colors will prove a revelation to many fanciers of this flower.

6d. packet.

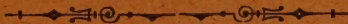
CLEOME PUNGENS.

GIANT SPIDER PLANT.

A showy annual, four to five feet high, with rose-colored flowers. Of easy cultivation.

6d. packet ; post free.

☞ One Packet of each of the above Seven Choice Varieties for 1/6 ; post free anywhere.



☞ LIVINGSTON'S MAGNUS. ☞

- - The Tomato for 1900. - -

Just as we are correcting the proofs for this Catalogue this new Tomato has come to hand. It must have room somewhere ; that accounts for its presence amongst the Flower Seeds. Perhaps the place is not so unsuitable after all, as it promises to be "The Flower of the Family," that is, the Livingston Tomato Family, which now numbers 15, all living and doing well. The Livingston Seed Co. are introducing them this year, and my agent has secured me a small quantity of the seed.

The description is as follows :—"A distinct and promising new variety ; same color as Beauty and Acme, but thicker, heavier, and more solid ; matures quickly. Form perfect, uniform, large, and attractive ; flesh very firm ; robust grower ; short joints ; heavy cropper ; ripens evenly ; does not crack about the stem ; flavor most desirable."

Packets, 1s. ; post free.

☞ Be sure and try this new Market and Home Garden Variety.

Two Marvellous Beans.

The Vegetable Wonder of the Day.

It is an actual fact that has been proved in scores of instances that one plant of either of the Beans described below will, under suitable conditions, produce sufficient beans to supply the wants of an ordinary family for several months of the year. I could fill this page with testimonials as to the value of these wonderful Beans, but would prefer my customers to try for themselves. In Sydney and other warm climates the plants are perennial, and keep on growing for many years, but in districts subject to heavy frosts they are frequently cut down before they come into full bearing the first season.

Tongan Bean.

(*Dolichos lablah*).

This Bean was first introduced into Sydney from the South Sea Islands. It has been sold under the name of "Madagascar" Bean, by which name another Bean was well-known previously. The Tongan Bean can easily be distinguished by its black seed, with a white comb. The seed pods can be sliced while young and tender and boiled like French beans, or the beans shelled when filled out before turning black.

I have frequently picked a large bucket of pods from one vine which had been picked clean two days before. The growth is marvellous. A large shed or outhouse is quickly covered with it, single runners frequently running out 30 to 40 feet.

6d. per packet ; post free.

Madagascar Bean.

(*Phaseolus Lunatis*.)

The seed of this Bean is larger and flatter than that of the Tongan Bean, more like a Lima Bean in shape, and mottled reddish-brown or black and white. The growth is very similar to that of the Tongan, and is equally productive. The seeds of this should be boiled when fully grown but before they harden, and when cooked at this stage I know of no more delicious vegetable. It has been grown in the kitchen garden at the Sydney Botanical Gardens for several years, and a dish of it has frequently been sent up to Government House, where it is well appreciated. Both this and the Tongan have done well in the Riverina and other places in the interior, and should both have a place on every station.

6d. packet ; post free.

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

All Vegetable Seeds are sold in Packets at 6d; 6 for 2s. 6d.
12 for 4s. 6d.; post free to any part of the world.

Smaller packets are also made up of all sorts except Peas and Beans, or novelties on coloured pages, at 3d. each; 2s. 6d. per dozen. Post Free.

ASPARAGUS.

Conover's Colossal—Large and tender

ARTICHOKE.

Large Globe—Best variety.

BEANS.

THE postage on peas and beans frequently costs more than the seeds themselves, but to meet my customers in this, I make up two sizes of packets of these, the larger containing more than double the quantity of the others, and if 3d. extra is added to amount, for extra postage, I will send the large size. This does not apply to novelties and specialties on coloured pages.

BEANS—Broad.

Leviathan Long Pod.—Pods a foot long. 1s. per quart.

Broad Windsor.—Immense cropper. 9d. per quart.

Early Long Pod.—A standard early variety. 9d. per quart.

BEANS—French.

1s. 6d. per quart.

Canadian Wonder.—Splendid long pods, very productive.

Negro Long Pod.—Heavy cropper.

BEANS—Dwarf Wax.

New Davis Kidney.—The best white-seeded Dwarf Bean.

Startler.—A splendid variety of this delicious bean, perfectly stringless, and very prolific. 2s. per quart.

BEANS—Climbing.

Mont d'Or (Butter or Wax Bean).—Covered with beautiful clusters of golden yellow beans. It is truly a delicacy. 1s. 6d. per quart.

Scarlet Runner.—This old favorite needs no description.—1s. 6d. per quart.

Snake—Or Yard Long. Narrow stringless pods over 2ft. long.

Lazy Wife's Pole Bean.—This Pole Bean has become immensely popular. We presume it derived its name from its immense productiveness, and from the ease with which they are cooked. The pods, of medium dark green colour, are produced in great abundance, and measure from $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 inches in length. They are broad, thick, very fleshy, and entirely stringless. The pods retain their rich, tender and stringless qualities until nearly ripe, and at all stages are unsurpassed for snapshorts, being peculiarly luscious. Many persons have testified that they never ate a bean quite so good in distinct rich flavour. Each pod contains from six to eight round white

beans, which make excellent winter shell beans.

King of the Garden Lima.—The most prolific of the tall Lima Beans.

Rumsey's White Wonder.—A most handsome large bean with very large white seeds, splendid for cutting up green or shelling for winter use. Its tuberous roots live in the ground all winter, and it springs up early next year.

Horticultural Lima.—A cross between the finest flavoured of all the pole beans and the Lima Bean. Fully three weeks earlier than any other Lima, and is also much more prolific. Beans delicious when shelled and cooked like peas.

For other Climbers see Colored Pages.

BEANS—Dwarf Lima.

Burpee's.—The Bush form of the large Lima, very prolific. One of the most valuable seed novelties ever introduced. 2s. per quart.

Henderson's.—Smaller seeds than the above. Very hardy, bearing continuously to the end of the season. 2s. per quart.

BEEF.

1s. per oz.; 4 ozs. for 1s. 6d.

Long Blood Red—Good for deep soils.

Turnip Rooted.—Best for early and garden use.

BROCOLI.

1s. 6d. per oz.

Early White.—Best for general use.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS.

1s. per oz.

This is deservedly a great favourite with many people, and it is thought to be the best of the cabbage tribe under cultivation.

The postage on a pint or quart of beans in N.S.W. is 8d. To other Colonies, 1 pint 8d., quart 1s. 2d.

CABBAGE.

9d. per oz. ; 4 oz. 1s. 6d.

I have selected the following from the many varieties of this plant that are catalogued, and can recommend them all :—

Rumsey's World Beater.—If you want to grow the largest Cabbage in the district, get the World-Beater ; it is as good as many of the smaller kinds, fine grained and tender. 1s. 6d. per oz.

Improved Mammoth Short Stem.—This is another large variety worth growing. 1s. per oz.

Early Jersey Wakefield.—The best early Cabbage in existence. I can recommend this variety above all others for early planting. It forms a solid heart-shaped head with very few outer leaves. Can be planted one foot apart. 1s. per oz.

Succession.—This has rightly been called "King of Cabbages." My customers agree with me in pronouncing it the best all-round Cabbage ever introduced into this Colony. Large, sweet, tender, and aphid-resisting. 1s. 6d. per oz.

New Lupton.—It is the successful result of an effort to get the delicacy of flavour of the early sorts, with the hardness and keeping qualities of the late. It is well suited for main crop or winter-growing. 1s. 6d. per oz.

CABBAGE COLLECTION.—I packet each of these 4 good cabbages—World Beater, Wakefield, Succession and Lupton for 1s. 9d.

Early York.—A favorite early variety.

St. John's Day.—Early, stands summer well.

London Market.—Used largely by market gardeners.

Red Dutch.—Best for pickling.

Drumhead Savoy.—The curly dark-green heads of this variety are much esteemed for winter use.

CAPE GOOSEBERRY.

(Physalis).

The old varieties of this splendid fruit have been entirely superseded by what our American friends are now growing under the name of **Husk Tomato**, which is really a different variety of the Cape Gooseberry. The improved sort has a trailing habit of growth.

Edulis.—The old sort

Alkekengi, Husk Tomato.—Much more prolific and larger fruit.

CARROT.

9d. per oz. ; 4 oz. 1s. 6d.

Early Shorthorn.—Best for table use.

Improved Intermediate.

CAULIFLOWER.

1s. 6d. per oz.

Early London.—Very hardy.

Large Asiatic.—Mid-season, splendid heads.

Veitch's Autumn Giant.—Late, extra fine.

Walcherin.—A favorite medium early variety.

CELERY.

White Plume.—A desirable feature of this new celery is that its stalk and heart are white, and it requires very little trouble to cultivate. 2s. 6d. per oz.

Cole's Crystal White.—Large, crisp and good flavored. 1s. per oz.

CORN—SWEET OR SUGAR.

Sweet Corn is gradually coming into favor in this country. In America there is no vegetable more appreciated than corn, boiled or roasted. 1s. 3d. per lb. ; postage on packets same as peas and beans.

Pop.—This corn will pop and expand to many times its original size if placed on a stove or in a frying-pan. If the Corn is rubbed in butter and salt before popping, it makes it more tasty. Fun for the children.

CRESS.

1s. per 4 oz.

Triple Curled.—Grows very quickly, and may be cut several times for salads.

CUCUMBERS.

Fordhook White Spine.—A splendid variety of this favorite vegetable, very vigorous in growth and enormously productive.

Giant Pera.—A very large, smooth-skinned Cucumber, very tender and brittle, few seeds, and quite free at any stage from "that green cucumber taste."

Cool and Crisp.—New extra early, exceedingly prolific, bears the whole season.

Japanese Climbing.—Will climb a wire netting or trellis, useful for small gardens, splendid quality.

Snake.—This peculiar cucumber grows up to 6ft. in length, and curls and twists like a snake ; quality fair.

One Packet each of these five Cucumbers for 2s., post paid.

Long Green Prickle.—Very large, grown for market purposes. 1s 6d per oz., 4ozs. 2s 6d.

Small Pickling.—Makes the best pickles.

EGG PLANT.

White.—Beautiful milk-white eggs.

Purple.—Superior for market purposes.

Mixed.—Both sorts.

{ Take Notice of the Reduction in Price for quantities, and get a few neighbours' orders to send with your own. }

KOHL—RABI. *9d per oz.*

(Turnip-rooted Cabbage.)

Large Green.—A delicious vegetable, greatly used by German colonists.**LEEK.***1s. oz.***London Flag.**—A good market sort, large broad leaves.**Musselburg.**—A very large sort.**LETTUCE.***9d per oz., 4 ozs. 1s 6d.***Iceberg.**—The handsomest and most solid Cabbage Lettuce in cultivation; the large curly leaves which cover the outside of the solid heads are of a bright, light green, making it strikingly beautiful. *1s 6d per oz.***Improved Hanson.**—A very valuable new Lettuce, forming very large solid heads, which withstand the hot sun well. Most of the heads are so solid that they will not run to seed, unless cut with a knife. *1s 6d per oz.***Drumhead.**—The favorite Cabbage Lettuce, producing very large, solid, white heads, standing heat of summer well.**Neapolitan.**—Leaves very curly and Crisp.**Giant White Cos.**—A lettuce that succeeds well in cool districts.**MELON.—Water.***9d per oz., 4 ozs., 2s 6d.***Kleckley Sweets.**—I have grown a large quantity of these Melons this season, and pronounce them to be unequalled in flavour and earliness. We can recommend it highly for local market or home use. The shape is oblong, color dark green, nearly black, skin very tender. Mr. McKeown, superintendent at Wagga Farm, late of Wollongbar, Richmond River, says: "I had the First Prize Melon (Kleckley Sweets) from Alstonville Show given me. I may say I consider it the best flavoured melon I have tasted, and the handsomest I saw during the season." *1s 6d per oz.***Phinney's Early.**—A first class, very early melon, of sweet melting flavour, very prolific. *1s. per oz.***Ruby Gold.**—A new large oblong melon, the flesh being a fine golden yellow, variegated with streaks and layers of bright pink, of most delicious flavour. *1s. per oz.***Cuban Queen.**—A favorite Melon, one of the largest grown.**Ice Cream.**—Delicious flavour.**Wonderful (McIvor) Sugar Melon.**—This is the best melon I know of for market purposes. In flavour it is superior to any other except, perhaps, Kleckley Sweets, hardy, carries well, its delicious pink flesh goes to within a half-an-inch of the outside. Its appearance is most handsome. The largest melon inthe Agricultural Department's exhibit in 1898 Sydney Show was a WONDERFUL from our seed. *1s 6d per oz.***Red Seeded Sugar Melon.**—Splendid table variety.**MELON.—Preserving.***9d. per oz.***Citron.**—Red-seeded.**Pie or Preserving.**—Green seeds, grows very large, a heavy bearer.**Jumbo.**—See Specialties.**MELON.—Rock or Musk.****Grand Rapids.**—A new very early Rock Melon, flesh pure yellow, clear to the rind, a very fine handsome melon, said to be the earliest of all melons, large or small; while, in shape and general appearance, it is one of the handsomest ever offered to the Australian public. *2s. per oz.***The Banquet.**—Rich salmon, flesh beautifully netted. *1s. 6d. per oz.***Cantaloupe.**—Fine and large, splendid flavour, very prolific. *1s. 6d. per oz., 4 oz. 2s. 6d.***Montreal Market.**—Green flesh, skin netted, very large. *1s. 6d. per oz.***Melon Peach, Mango Melon, or Vine Peach.**—This is a variety of Rock Melon which yields large crops of small attractive fruit, which makes delicious preserves.**MUSTARD.****Finest White.**—*6d. per oz.***ONION.***9d. per oz., 4oz 1s. 6d.***Prizetaker.**—This immense onion has made quite a furore in the United States during the last few years. It has been described as the handsomest, finest flavoured, and most superior globe onion ever introduced. It is of a bright straw color, and always grows to a uniform shape. With extra cultivation and attention it has yielded up to 1000 bushels per acre. Individual specimens have been grown up to 6lb. 2oz. *1s. 6d. per oz.**See illustration on back cover.***Market Model, or Australian Brown.**—This Onion has been introduced into America under the name of *Australian Brown Onion*, and the introducers, who have given it a thorough trial, state that it will keep in good condition longer than any onion they know of. This a most desirable quality, combined, as it is, with evenness of growth and beautiful appearance.**Yellow Globe Danvers.**—Although this is not a new variety in America, its home, it is new to us. Over there it is considered one of the most valuable. In fact, a most reliable grower states that he considers it superior to any variety he knows of except the Prizetaker. It is of fine form, very thick bulb, size good, flavor rather mild. *6d. and 1s. per pkt.*

Brown Spanish.—A good market Onion; large and firm.

Brown Globe.—Very similar to the above, but more globular; keeps well.

White Spanish.—A straw-coloured Onion, large size.

Silver Skin.—Best for pickles.

Potato.—Few people are aware of the fact that potato onions can be raised from the true seed, like Spanish or Globe Onions. As this is a favorite in the cooler districts, it is a good plan to raise sets from the seed when the bulbs are not obtainable. 1s. per oz. I have Potato Onion sets of a special long-keeping strain I have had them keep in perfect condition for 12 months. 6d. lb., freight extra.

Tree Onions.—A small onion is planted which grows to a large size during the season, and produces a bunch of small ones on a stalk, which are either used for pickling or for seed for following season. In stock from March to June at 6d per lb. Freight extra.

PEAS.

The Daisy.—The general verdict is, "Its a Daisy." It is a very early pea, but the trial showed it in size and quality to be equal to any of the later ones, and it is well described as being so productive that a plot appears as if the well-filled pods had been heaped up in ridges. The peas are in good condition for the table in less than three months from time of planting. 1½ feet high. 2s. quart.

Heroine.—A really valuable acquisition bearing large quantities of slightly-curved pods with nine or ten peas in each. Medium early; 2½ ft. high. 2s. quart.

Stratagem.—This pea is coming rapidly into use for growing for market, and in this district with good cultivation, it has been proved one of the best for that purpose. 2½ to 3 feet high. 1s. quart.

Before ordering Peas read note under Beans re postage on packets.

{ The postage on a pint or quart of
peas in N.S.W. is 8d, but to other
colonies, 1 pint 8d, 1 quart 1s 2d. }

PEANUT.

Although this is a favorite with old and young, and its cultivation is so simple that the children could grow it, it is very seldom we see it in our gardens. It is said that on fair soil this crop will pay well, as the crops at the Government Experimental Farm have yielded up to 2 ton 5 cwt. per acre, and the price obtainable in Sydney for fairly large parcels being 2½d per lb. The nuts should be planted 1 foot apart in drills 3 feet between. The nuts are formed just beneath the surface of the ground. Best variety, 6d pkt.; ½ lb 1s; 1 lb 1s 6d; post free.

PUMPKIN.

9d per oz.; 4 ozs., 1s 6d.

New Japanese.—Extremely small seed cavity, all the balance being solid meat throughout. The seeds are curiously marked, like the letters of the Japanese alphabet. 1s 6d per oz.

Early Orange Sugar.—At Wollongbar Experimental Farm, Pumpkins were ripened in a few days over three months from our seed of this variety. It is the earliest grown. 1s oz.

Calhoun.—An American introduction. The outside skin is a dark cream color, within, the flesh is a deep salmon yellow. Fine grain and remarkably thick. The seed cavity being very small. 1s. oz.

Ironbark.—We stock a specially selected strain of this grand pumpkin. Dry, mealy, keeps through the winter.

Crown (White Seeded).—The best table variety of this well-known pumpkin.

Small Button.—Another old favorite.

King of the Mammoths or Hundredweight.—This variety has been grown to 230 lbs. weight. Specially selected seed. 1s. per oz.

Rio.—The favorite for pies and preserves.

RADISH.—6d. per oz.; 4 ozs., 1s.

French Breakfast.—Quick grower, crisp and tender, red, olive shaped. 1s. oz.

Scarlet Button.—A new Turnip Radish of mild flavor. For crispness and tenderness it surpasses most other strains, very small top. Has been grown ready for table in 23 days. 1s. per oz.

White Chinese.—A very large variety introduced from China, the skin and flesh are both snow-white, crisp, brittle and of best quality. Best for winter use. 1s. per oz.

Long Scarlet.—A good market sort.

Early White Turnip.—Extra good and crisp.

Mixed Turnip.—Red and white in good mixture.

Early Long Scarlet, SHORT TOP.—This is a fine selection of the long slender scarlet radish. It is very early, crisp, and fine flavored, the roots averaging half an inch in diameter at the top, and tapering throughout their length of four or five inches. 1s. per oz.

SQUASH.—1s. oz.

Fordhook.—Similar to our well-known Vegetable Marrow, and can be used like it, green or kept for winter use. They seem incapable of rotting, and are delicious at any time of their growth.

White Chesnut.—As dry as a boiled chesnut, for winter use.

Boston Marrow.—A bright orange squash for Autumn use.

Hubbard.—A great favorite.

Custard.—Sometimes called Custard Marrow.

TOMATO : Our Speciality.

Honor Bright.—A new and totally distinct tomato just introduced by that celebrated grower, who has given the world a dozen of the best tomatoes in existence, A.W. Livingston, U.S., America. The foliage is yellowish green to yellow. The fruit changes from light green to a pretty waxy white, then salmon, and from that to a bright red. It is very solid, and stood 12 inches of rain in 50 hours after very dry weather without a crack. In that it was almost alone out of 20 varieties. Ripens late and caries well. It is truly a novelty, being totally distinct from any other sort. 3s. per oz.

Fordhook First.—A perfectly smooth solid tomato of first-class appearance, also extremely early. A really valuable acquisition, as its quality is superior to any other early sort.

Buckeye State.—“The largest smooth Tomato in the world. I have grown them up to 1 lb. in weight without a flaw. It is unsurpassed for show purposes. This variety is especially noted for the size of its bunches. It often has 12 or 13 immense fruit in one bunch. The color is crimson, with a beautiful purple tinge. As the skin of this tomato is very delicate, and subject to cracks on sudden changes of weather, it is best picked as soon as it commences to color, and ripen indoors.

Matchless.—Large and smooth. We know of no other tomato that will come so near to beating Buckeye State as this one does. One correspondent says “if you have a tomato that can beat the Matchless, it is a stunner.”

Ignotum.—Large, smooth, and solid, very hardy, ripening very evenly, a deep red color. If we could only have one variety for growing for market, it would be this or

Livingston's Beauty.—A decided favorite for the home or shipping market, early, hardy, strong grower; color, glossy crimson with tinge of purple. Its tough skin prevents it from cracking with changes of weather.

New Imperial.—Another fine tomato of the same class as **BUCKEYE STATE** and **MATCHLESS**. Color, reddish purple.

Livingston's Stone.—Another tomato introduced by the grower who gave us **Buckeye State** and **Beauty**. It is a very large, handsome, and saleable variety. In color a desirable red.

Ponderosa.—A very large tomato; specimens have been grown up to 3 lbs. in weight.

Large Red Smooth.—A favorite with some growers.

King Humbert.—The best of all the small kinds. It is laden with grape-like bunches of plum-shaped fruit, about two inches in length; very reliable.

Trophy.—One of the best of the old sorts.

Mikado.—Very large: purplish-red.

Dwarf Champion.—This tomato is a favorite, on account of its upright habit of growth. It can be grown without stakes,

Golden Queen.—Best of the yellow kind. A fine handsome fruit.

For new Tomatoes see colored pages.

TURNIPS.

6d per oz., 4oz 1s 6d.

White Stone.—Very hardy; good flavor.

White Nepaul.—Early; flat shaped.

Orange Jelly.—Beautiful yellow flesh.

Bread Stone.—Takes more after the style of the Swede. Splendid table turnip.

Laing's Garden Swede.—A small variety of the purple top.

Champion Purple Top Swede.—Heavy cropper.

Monarch or Elephant.—This variety is claimed to yield larger roots and more of them to the acre than any other Swede. Best quality, oval shaped.

VEGETABLE MARROW.

9d. per oz,

Long White.—Very prolific; good quality.

Bush Marrow.—Don't run; good flavour.

Rice.—A distinct variety. Delicious.

Fordhook. } 1s. per oz. (See Squash.)
Custard. }

A GARDEN FOR EVERYONE.

26 PACKETS FOR 5s.

The most successful collection last year was the 3d. packet collection, which enabled friends with small gardens to have a supply of vegetables the year round. We offer it again this year. Two packets each Bean, Cabbage, Tomato, and Pumpkin, and one packet each Beet, Carrot, Cauliflower, Celery, Cucumber, Lettuce, Water Melon, Rock Melon, Preserving Melon, Peas, Parsnip, Radish, Onion, Squash, White Turnip, Swede Turnip, Vegetable Marrow, and a packet of Mixed Flower Seeds.

All Good Honest Seeds—my selection of Good Varieties.

SEEDS for the FARM.

There are seeds and seeds. Ours are HONEST seeds one trial will show you that they are equal to the best that money can buy.

SOIL IMPROVERS.

A writer to one of the U. S. Experimental Farm managers stated that he had ploughed in a crop of Cow Peas and that something was making his wheat come. Prof. Massey's reply was, "Yes no doubt something is making his wheat come, would that all our farmers had that same something under their wheat and other crops."

If you wish to get that desirable something under your crops you must take advantage of the help given by leguminous plants in obtaining nitrogen from the air and storing it ready for the succeeding crop in their decaying roots and stubble. The most valuable of these plants for this purpose are Cow Peas and Crimson Clover.

COW PEAS.—These are planted in October in most parts of this colony and make a great growth of most succulent fodder for use either green or as hay or ensilage. The various kinds are distinguished by the color of the seeds. Black clay coloured and small white are the best. At present we have to quote for this year at 1s. per lb., but may be able to make reductions for quantities when the crops are all in. Post Free, 1lb. 1s 6d, 3lbs 4s, 7lbs (sufficient for an acre) 8s 6d. Other colonies 3 per lb. extra postage.

NEW COW PEA.—WARREN'S EXTRA EARLY—A new and very quick maturing variety of Cow Pea. It will make two crops in most parts of this colony; pods very long, containing 14 to 18 peas. Very prolific, and making more vine than common sorts.

CRIMSON CLOVER (*Trifolium incarnatum*).—A most valuable plant for fodder or green manure, the more so as its period of greatest growth is during the winter and early spring, a time when, as a rule, more rain is available, and the ground is not required for other crops. It will grow if planted at any time of the year, but January to April give best results. Packets at 6d and 1s, post free; 1lb 1s 6d, 3lbs 3s 2d, 10lbs (sufficient for an acre) 10s; 3d per lb extra postage to other colonies.

SWEET OR BOKHARA CLOVER (*Melilotus Alba*).—I have grown plants of this clover up to 5 and 6 feet high, very hardy, good fodder plant if cut or grazed frequently, but apt to get woody when allowed to run up to seed. Suitable for planting among rocks and in rough places. A valuable honey plant. Packets 6d and 1s, post free. Per lb., 2s.

VELVET BEAN.—A new leguminous fodder plant, being very largely used in Florida for fodder and soil-enriching purposes. It is said to run 40 or 50 ft., and to cover the ground to a depth of 3 or 4 ft. The beans are produced in clusters of from two to 20 pods every 10 to 20 inches along the vine. It should be planted in October in hills about 4 ft. apart. We should advise every farmer to give this a trial this season. Packets, 6d and 1s, post free.

RED CLOVER (*Trifolium Pratense*).—1s. 3d lb. Succeeds well in cool districts with plenty of moisture. Packets at 6d and 1s.

LUCERNE.—1s per lb. A small patch of Lucerne is a most valuable possession where there is a horse or cow. There is no crop cultivated that can be cut so frequently. A bed once planted lasts many years. Packets at 6d and 1s, post free.

SOY BEAN.—1s lb. This, in common with other beans, peas, and clovers, is a nitrogen gatherer and soil improver. It yields a large quantity of white beans, suitable for stock or table use. Packets at 6d and 1s, post free.

PASPALUM DILITATUM GRASS.—This is a hardy perennial grass, and succeeds in most parts of the colonies, yielding large quantities of feed. It has been proved during the past few years to resist droughts in summer and moderate frosts in winter. Mr. H. MORTON WILLIAMS states in *N.S.W. Agricultural Gazette*: "There is nothing hard or wiry about this grass. It is soft and succulent, and there is no part from the crown to the seed heads that stock will not eat. My observation has been extensive, but I have never met with grass for general purposes that would equal 'Paspalum Dilatum.'" Packets 6d. and 1s., post free.

TREE LUCERNE (*Tagosaste*).—While I think the value of this tree for fodder has been over-estimated, I do not hesitate to pronounce it a handsome, quick-growing tree, covered in early spring with beautiful clusters of peashaped flowers, which form happy hunting grounds for the bees, and afterwards yielding a quantity of seed, of which poultry are very fond. The leaves and smaller branches are eaten by some stock when other food is scarce and no doubt would keep them alive in times of drought. Packets at 6d and 1s.

AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH.—4s 6d lb. This well known native fodder plant is easily grown and should be largely planted. Packets at 6d and 1s.

PEARL MILLET.—Is 6d per lb. At Wagga 18½ tons of green feed have been obtained from an acre, and seed at the rate of 22 bushels or 1320 lbs per acre. Packets 6d and 1s, post free.

HUNGARIAN MILLET.—4d lb. One of the most valuable annuals used for fodder purposes. Packets, 6d and 1s, post free.

EARLY AMBER SUGAR CANE.—6d lb. Very valuable for stock, and the seed for poultry. Packets, 6d and 1s.

KAFFIR CORN.—6d lb. Another very valuable sorghum, yielding large crops of either fodder or seed. Packets, 6d and 1s, post free.

JAPANESE BUCKWHEAT.—4d lb. This is the earliest and best of the Buckwheat family, most valuable for a quick fodder crop. Packets 6d and 1s, post free.

SUNFLOWER (1s. 6d. lb.)—For stock, poultry, and bees this crop is largely grown, and is very valuable. Packets, 6d. and 1s., post free.

SUGAR BEET (1s. 6d. per lb.)—A very valuable crop for cattle feeding. Packets, 6d. and 1s. (post paid).

MANGOLD (1s. 6d. per lb.)—Splendid for winter feed for dairy cows or other stock. Packets, 6d. and 1s. (post paid).

RAPE, DWARF ESSEX (4d per lb.) This crop is coming largely into use for fattening sheep. It is similar to a turnip top. Packets, 6d. and 1s., post free.

The prices per lb. of the above fodder plants do not include postage or freight, which should be added to amount sent, or, if by rail, paid on delivery.

SEED WHEAT.

6d. and 1s. per packet.

The seed wheats which I supply have been specially grown for seed purposes on clean land. Bushel prices on application.

ALLORA SPRING.

WHITE TUSCAN.

NEW WHEAT.—SULLIVAN'S EARLY PROLIFIC—This variety was selected in California as the best milling variety obtainable, and was grown at Albury, N.S.W. by Mr. Kennedy, where the yield averaged over 53 bushels per acre. I have secured a small quantity of the seed from this crop, and offer in packets at 6d. and 1s., post free.

OATS.

I have obtained some new varieties of oats from America, and offer them in small packets for trial.

NEW OATS.—MORTGAGE LIFTER—A new vigorous variety, very heavy grain, 50 lb. per bushel. As bright and white as silver, and hull as thin as sheet of paper. The originator raised 100 bushels to the acre. Straw strong and stiff. Packets, 6d. and 1s.

NEW OATS.—DANISH ISLAND.—A very productive variety, with strong stiff straw, growing from 4ft. to 5½ft. in height. Plump, thin-hulled, bright yellow grain; often three grains in a spikelet, and distributed evenly over the entire head. The stalks do not lodge or the grain fall off in stormy weather. The straw is very strong, well-bladed, and when sown thinly as many as forty stalks are produced from a single grain. Packets, 6d. and 1s.

WELCOME OATS.—The Welcome Oats have proved to be the heaviest and handsomest variety of oats ever introduced. The heads are large and handsome, branching freely on all sides. The grain is remarkably large and handsome, very plump and full, with thin close-fitting husks. They weigh 45 lb. to 50 lb. per measured bushel. Packets, 6d. and 1s.

GOLDEN GIANT SIDE OATS.—A remarkable feature of the Golden Giant Side Oats, worthy of special attention, is the fact that a good crop can be grown on a poor thin soil, where most varieties would hardly return the expense of growing and harvesting. They grow four to four and a half feet high, with stiff, bright, straw supporting the long heads; they stool freely and yield abundantly. They are extra early to ripen. In rapidity of growth and productiveness scarcely any other variety can equal the Golden Giant Side Oats. Unlike the above-described varieties this has had three years' trial in N.S.W. and Victoria, and the American description proves to be very accurate. Packets, 6d. and 1s.

NEW MAIZE.

GOLDEN BEAUTY.—The ears are of perfect shape, with ten to fourteen straight rows of brightest golden-yellow grains, of remarkable size, and completely filled out to the extreme end of cob. The cobs are unusually small; when broken in half, the grains will generally reach across. The richness of color and fine quality of grain makes it very superior for grinding into meal. The ears are easily shelled, although the kernels are firm on the ear. The stalks take a strong hold in the ground; grow vigorously to a height of eight to ten feet. Per packet, 6d. and 1s.

MASTODON EARLY DENT.—Descriptive of this Corn we quote the following:—"I claim that it is the largest-eared early Dent Corn and the largest grain of any early Dent Corn. It grows strong, rank, quick, and makes the finest appearing shelled corn of them all, being purely Dent of two shades of white and yellow." 6d. and 1s. packets.

WATERLOO EXTRA EARLY DENT.—This was discovered in Nebraska, where it was brought by an emigrant fifteen years ago, who says of it:—"First,

it is a ninety-day Corn, and when *Pride of the North* is ready to husk I am always ready to go at my crop. Second, it yields more shelled corn to the bushel (seventy pounds of ears) than any other variety, excepting *Pride of the North*, but it should not be compared with that sort, because it will outyield it by thirty bushels per acre. I never sell any Waterloo Corn on the ear, because elevators take seventy pounds of ears for fifty-six pounds of corn, and my corn will shell sixty pounds every time." 6d. and 1s. packet.

KLONDYKE.—This new corn from America is described as a thoroughbred yellow flint corn. A perfect wonder in yield, earliness, and smallness of cob. Two weeks earlier than Early Mastodon yielding in ordinary farm culture 125 bushels to the acre. Maize-growers will do well to get a packet of this as the demand for seed purposes is sure to be very great. Packets at 6d. and 1s., post free.

Giant Beggarweed.

This might be called the "Sensational Forage Plant" of the South, I have not had opportunity to try this at Boronia, so cannot express an opinion as to its merits. I quote, therefore, the remarks of a prominent Florida grower:—"The seeds are very small (about the size of flax seed), and should be planted shallow. About

eight to ten pounds of seed will thoroughly seed an acre. No farmer should plant another year without adding this valuable forage plant to his list of crops to be grown, and his barns should be filled with Beggarweed hay next season. Remember, too, that Beggarweed is the finest green feed in the United States for all manner of stock. It is a very rapid grower, and you can feed it to your stock as soon as it is large enough to cut, or it can be grazed in pasture at any time." Per packet, 6d. and 1s.

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We can quote for Cocksfoot, Couch, Rye, Prairie, Timothy, and other grasses, at lowest market rates. Small packages by post, at 6d., 1s., and 2/6, separate or mixed.

ORNAMENTAL TREE SEEDS.

In 6d. Packets.

Pinis Insignis (Californian Pine).
Cupressus Lawsoniana (Lawson's Cypress).
Acacia Decurrens (Black or Green Wattle).
Acacia Pycnantha (Golden Wattle).
Grevillea Robusta (Silky Oak).

Ornamental trees should be started in pots or boxes of "Jadoo" (see back cover). They can then be transplanted at any time of the year, without a check to their growth.

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SPECIALITIES:

ALL flower seeds under this heading are selected from extra choice strains, they are too expensive to make up into 3d. packets, as the quantity would be so very small in some cases, so we put them up at 6d.; six for 2s. 6d. In ordering by number, please give year of catalogue.

1. **ASTER** (Giant Comet).—A new strain. Plants 14 to 18 inches high; form regular pyramids covered completely with superb large double flowers of an intensely artistic beauty.

2. **BALSAM** (Cammellia Flowered).—The flowers borne in wonderful profusion; resemble the Cammellia in form, and are often fully as double; many of the varieties are of extraordinary size. Seed saved from a splendid collection of mixed varieties.

3. **CANNA** (Dwarf).—This seed is saved from the choicest named varieties of this handsome plant; nearly every plant will be different.

4. **CARNATION** (Very Choice Perpetual).—A large proportion of these come double from seed.

5. **CARNATION** (Marguerite).—About 80 to 90 per cent. of these sweet, fragrant Carnations come double from seed. They are very hardy, flowering the first season from seed. They are a very valuable introduction, and will be an acquisition to any garden.

6. **CELOSIA PLUMOSA**.—A new variety of Dwarf Feathered Cockscomb. The Plants are compact, bearing feather-like blossoms of the brilliant shades of Crimson, Scarlet, Fiery Red, and Golden Yellow.

7. **CHRYSANTHEMUM** (Perennial).—Grow easily from seed, mixed, Chinese, Japanese, etc.

8. **DATURA CORNUCOPIA**.—Very showy large branching plants. The grand trumpet-shaped flowers measure from 7 to 9 inches in length, and 4 to 6 inches

across, and are formed of *three distinct trumpet flowers* growing each within the other. The mouth is a delicate white ; outside richly marbled with purple.

9. DELPHINUM (Perennial Larkspur).—An old-time favorite, and one of the few free flowering plants, bearing really *blue* flowers. One of the most desirable, hardy perennials. Its rich colors are a revelation.

10. DIANTHUS (Chinese and Japanese Pink).—These popular biennials flower freely from seed the first year, but are much finer the second year. This strain contains a wonderful diversity of colors and markings.

11. GLADIOLUS (Lemoinii).—Bulbs are very easily raised from seed, and will flower the second year. The range of colors produced from this strain of seed is very great, no two seedlings being exactly alike.

12. HELIOTROPE.—This deliciously-scented old favorite can be sown in either Autumn or Spring, and flowers while quite small. Very choice mixture.

13. HOLLYHOCK (Fordhook Fine Double).—Produces tall spikes of magnificent double flowers, 4 to 6 feet high. The flowers range through a great variety of colors.

14. MIMULUS (Moschatus).—The well-known musk plant.

15. MIMULUS (Tigrinus, "Monkey Musk").—Large bright-yellow flowers spotted in the throat with blotches of brown.

16. PHLOX DRUMMONDII GRANDIFLORA (Fordhook Strain).—A splendid strain of this favorite flower. Wonderful for the perfection and brilliancy of the flowers.

17. STOCK (Large Flowering Brompton).—These are valuable for either pot plants or the garden ; mixed colors.

18. STOCK (Princess Alice, or "Cut and Come Again").—A specially valuable strain for cut-flower work. The individual flowers are uncommonly large, of a fine rosette-like shape and the purest possible white.

Seeds of Choice Climbing Plants.

THERE is nothing that adds to the beauty of either Suburban or Country Home more than a few Graceful Climbers over out-buildings, fences, stumps, etc.

19. CENTROSEMA GRANDIFLORA (Butterfly Pea).—A new, low, graceful Climber ; hardy, perennial. It bears masses of large inverted pea-shaped flowers varying in color from a rosy white to reddish purple, with exquisite feathering or bordering of pure white.

20. COBCEA SCANDENS.—A Mexican climber of very rapid growth, quickly attaining a great height, and bearing a profusion of large bell-shaped flowers of a deep violet color.

21. CYPRESS VINE.—Slender climbers with small finely-cut dark-green leaves, thickly starred with small bright-colored flowers.

22. ECRA MACARPA.—A beautiful little Creeper, with lovely coral-like blossoms. Very hardy and vigorous.

23. KENNEDYA NIGRICANS.—A hardy native creeper, invaluable for a quick-growing evergreen, will grow 40 or 50 feet. Its flowers are not very large or ornamental.

24. KENNEDYA MONOPHYLLA (15 ft.).—This is another native evergreen. Its great beauty consists in its perfect cloud of the loveliest blue lilac flowers, drooping gracefully from June to August.

LATHYRUS ODORATUS.—See SWEET PEAS.

25. LATHYRUS LATIFOLUS.—Hardy perennial climbers, superior for some purposes to the ordinary Sweet Peas, which they resemble. Sometimes called Ever-lasting Peas.

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27. MAURANDYA.—A graceful little Creeper with foxglove-like flowers of different colors.

28. MINA LOBATA.—The foliage of this Creeper is pretty, but the lovely coral-like red and orange-red blossoms are exquisite. It is an annual growing to 15 or 20 feet.

29. MOON FLOWER (NEW CROSSBRED).—A variety of this beautiful climber, which has large flowers from 4 to 6 inches across, opening just at nightfall, and deliciously scented.

30. MORNING GLORY (IMPERIAL JAPANESE).—These flowers have been much improved of late years, and the Japanese strains show a great variety of color and markings which must be seen to be appreciated.

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33. TROPÆOLUM CANARIENSIS (CANARY CREEPER).—A pretty Creeper valuable both for the leaves and canary-colored flowers.

6d. per Packet; 6 for 2/6; post free.

Many of the above creepers have hard-shelled seeds, these are sure to germinate, if hot, or even boiling water is poured over them the night previous to planting.

General List of Flower Seeds.

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I CAN supply all these and many other varieties of flower seeds, most of them are too well known to require full description. The packets contain a good mixture of colors of first-class quality.

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| 34. AMARANTHUS, Tricolor, Joseph's Coat | S | 77. MYOSOTIS PALUSTRIS, Forget-me-not | AS S |
| 35. AMMOBIUM, white everlasting | AS | 78. NASTURTium | S |
| 36. ANEMONE, Coronaria (Poppy Anem.) | A | 79. NEMOPHILA, hardy annual | AS |
| 37. ANTIRRHINUM, Snapdragon | AS | 80. NIGELLA, Love-in-a-mist | A |
| 38. AQUILEGIA, Columbine | AS | 81. PANSY, mixture | AS |
| 39. ASTER | AS | 82. PETSTEMON, Herb., peren. | AS |
| 40. BALSAM, Ladies slipper | S | 83. PETUNIA, single mixed | AS |
| 41. BRACHYCOMBE, Swan River Daisy | AS | 84. POLYANTHUS, hardy perennial | A |
| 42. CALENDULA, Pluvialis, Cape Marig. | AS | 85. PHLOX | AS |
| 43. CALLIOPSIS, coreopsis | AS | 86. POPPY, choice mixture | AS |
| 44. CANDYTUFT, border annual | AS | 87. PORTULACCA, for rockeries | S |
| 45. CANTERBURY BELLS, hardy peren. | A | 88. RHODANTHE, everlasting | A |
| 46. CELOSIA, Cockscomb | S | 89. ROCKET, sweet | AS |
| 47. CORNFLOWER, mixed | AS | 90. SALVIA COCCINEA, scarlet sage | AS |
| 48. CHRYSANTHEMUM, An. Marguerite | AS | 91. SALPIGLOSSIS | S |
| 49. CLARKIA, hardy annual | AS | 92. SCABIOSA, Pincushion | AS |
| 50. COSMOS | S | 93. SCHIZANTHUS, spotted flowers | S |
| 51. DAISY, Bellis Perennis | S | 94. STOCK, 10 weeks, annual | AS |
| 52. DAHLIA | S | 95. STOCK, Brompton, biennial | AS |
| 53. DIANTHUS CHINENSIS, Ind. Pink | AS | 96. SWEET WILLIAM | A |
| 54. DIGITALIS GLOXINOIDES, Foxglove | A | 97. SWEET PEAS, mixed | AS |
| 55. ESCHSCHOLTZIA, Californ. Poppy | AS | 98. VERBENA, superb colours | AS |
| 56. EVERLASTING FLOWERS, mixed | AS | 99. VIOLA ODORATA, Sweet Violet | A |
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| 63. HONESTY, used dry for bouquets | A | | |
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| 66. LARKSPUR | A | | |
| 67. LAVENDER, fragrant shrub | AS | | |
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| 70. LOBELIA, bedding plant | AS | | |
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| 72. LUPINUS, annual lupins | AS | | |
| 73. MARIGOLD, annual | S | | |
| 74. MARTYNIA, sweet-scented annual | S | | |
| 75. MESEMBRYANTHEMUM, tricolor | S | | |
| 76. MIGNONETTE, sweet-scented | AS | | |

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COFFEE.—We have had many enquiries for seeds of the coffee plant and now offer it. 6d per packet.

TEA.—We sold a large quantity of this last season, but have heard of very few successes, the seed requires great moisture and heat to germinate. 6d per packet.

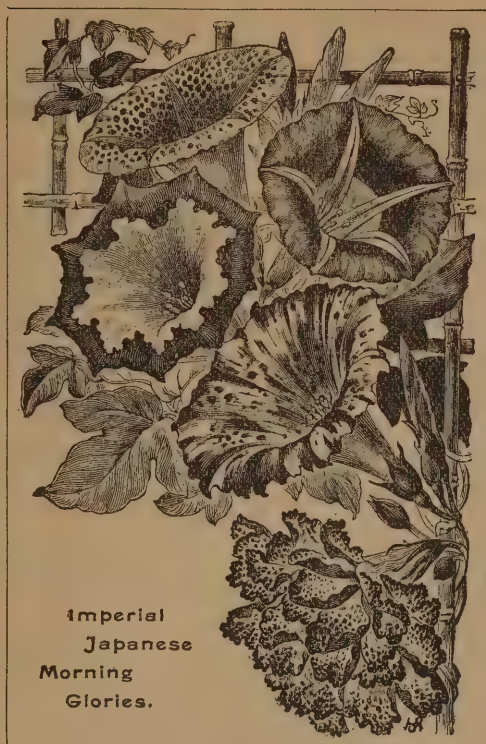
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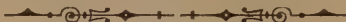
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FLOWERING BULBS.



THERE is, perhaps, no class of plants that give so much satisfaction in proportion to the care required as Bulbs. The great cost of named varieties hinders many from purchasing. I have grown a large quantity of many choice varieties at Boronia, and offer them in mixture at a price that will bring them within the reach of all. If named varieties are required, I can supply them at usual prices.



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This variety of Freesia is white, marked with orange, and possesses a delicate perfume. A bed of these supplies flowers when they are scarce, 3d. each, 1/3 doz., post free.

Gladiolus.

The gorgeous colors of our collection of these must be seen to be appreciated. Before writing this paragraph, I have walked round the beds where they are still in full bloom (February) and cannot find words to describe them. The spikes of magnificent flowers are in many instances over 4 feet high, and the individual flowers 5 inches across. They are striped, spotted, barred, mottled and shaded through the whole range of color from white to purple black.

Choicest Mixture, 9d. each, 7/6 doz.; post free.

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These graceful flowers, like miniature gladioli, look very effective in groups in the garden, and are great favorites, the colors are very varied. 3d. each, 1/3 doz.; post free.

Jonquils.

These favorite flowers are too well known to need describing, my collection is a fine mixture of all the colors. Post free, 4d. each, 3/- doz.

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There are hundreds of varieties of this favorite flower, varying in price from 3d.

to 3/. each. I offer a very choice mixture of these, either single or double, at 4d. each, 3/. per doz.; post free.

Sparaxis.

These are even more like miniature Gladioli than Ixias, except that the flower spike is low and gracefully curved. My collection of these is the most varied I have ever seen. I have counted no less than twenty-three distinct colors and markings in flower at once. They vary from a white or delicate cream to a deep purple, with spots, stripes, and mottles of various colors and tints. 3d. each., 2/6 doz.; post free.

Watsonia Alba.

Hardy flowers very similar to Gladioli, but quite distinct. Flowers white, and very beautiful. 9d. each, 7/6 doz.; post free.

COLLECTION.

I each of the above 8 varieties,	2/6	post free.
3 " " 8 " "	6/-	"
12 " " 8 " "	£1	"

Other Bulbs.

The above List only comprises Bulbs that I have grown at Boronia or had grown in the district, which is eminently suited for Bulb growing. I can also supply the following:—

Anemone, 4d. each, 3/6 doz.; post free.
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 Ranuncula, 3d. each, 2/6 doz.; "
 Tigridia, 6d. each, 5/- doz.; "
 Tulip, 4d. each, 3/- doz. "

ROSE LIST.

I placed a small collection of roses on last year's list and the success it met with encourages devoting a larger space to this flower of flowers. I have given a short description of some of the best and most satisfactory sorts. Nearly all of them have been flowered at Boronia during the last season.

For novelties for 1900 see colored pages.

RAMBLER COLLECTION.

4 Magnificent Climbers for 4s 6d, post free; or including Helene, the new Rambler described elsewhere, 7s.

CRIMSON RAMBLER.—A splendid hardy polyantha rose growing 8 and 10 ft. in a season, keeps in bloom for a long time, the flowers growing in panicles as large as a man's hat, and of a deep rich crimson color like blood colored velvet, the bush looking like a mass of crimson. It can be grown on pillars or trellis, for covering a fence it has no equal. See illustration on front cover.

YELLOW RAMBLER, *Aglaia*.—Bears immense clusters of rosette shaped yellow flowers similar to crimson Rambler

PINK RAMBLER *Euphrosyne*.—Similar habit to the above.

WHITE RAMBLER, *Thalia*.—Bears large clusters of silvery white single flowers not much larger than a shilling. Very striking.

BORONIA COLLECTION.

12 Magnificent Roses post free for 12s.

MURIEL GRAHAME	{ See descriptions in list. }	PAPA GONTIER
MDM. JULES GROLEZ		ELISA FUGIER
SOUV. de PRES. CARNOT		CAPT. HAYWOOD
FRANCOIS DUBREUIL		THE METEOR
BLADUD		LA FRANCE
KAISERIN AUGUSTA VICTORIA		CLIO

General List of Roses.

In addition to these and the new roses described on colored pages I can supply my customers with any roses new or old at usual prices.

Price: 1s each, 10s doz. Postage and Packing extra: For 1 rose to 3, add 6d; 6, 9d; 12, 1s 3d. Postage to adjoining colonies until federal postage is arranged is about double.

DWARF AND HYBRID TEA VARIETIES.

Anna Oliver	Rosy flesh, the reverse of petals fawn
Beauty of Stapleford	Deep rose, large, full and excellent
Belle Siebright... ..	Bright rosy pink flowers, beautifully formed
Beauty Inconstant	Coppery red, shaded crimson to light pink
Bridesmaid	Clear, bright pink, full and good
Charles de Legrady	Rosy-carmine, fine long bud, vigorous
Comtesse Frigneuse... ..	Bright canary-yellow, beautiful long bud
Comtesse de la Barthe	Rosy flesh, very fragrant and free blooming
Devoniensis	Creamy white, blush centre, large and full
Dr. Berthet	Medium size, full, light rose, deeper centre
Duchess of Albany, H.T.	A sport from La France, but deeper in colour
Elisa Fugier	Nearly white, tinted rose in centre
Ernest Metz	Extra large, very full and perfect, carmine rose
Etoile de Lyon... ..	Bright sulphur-yellow very full and free
Francois Dubreuil	Velvety crimson, new tea rose
Grace Darling	Creamy-white, shaded pink, excellent
Homer	Pale rose salmon centre, petals edged with pink
Henri Meynadier	Distinct shade of rose, large flower, Autumn
Innocente Pirola	Cream with yellow centre, full and well-formed
Kaiserin Augusta Victoria	Cream or pale fawn, one of the best
La France, H.T.	Pale peach color, reverse deep rose
Lord Tarquin	Pale flesh, fine buds, constant bloomer
Madame Bravy... ..	Creamy white, very full, vigorous growth
" Camille	Delicate salmon pink, very large and full
" Charles	Deep apricot-yellow, very full and fine rose
" J. Swartz	Like white Countess Labarthe
" Jules Grolez	Clear bright china rose
" J. Combet	Creamy white, thick petals, free blooming
" De Watteville	Creamy white, petals edged with rose, excellent
" Elie Lambert	Beautiful flesh rose, outer petals white, full, fragrant

Falcot...	...	...	Deep apricot-yellow, beautiful in bud
Hippolyte Jamain	...	...	White, tipped with blush, highly scented
Lambard	...	...	Salmon-pink-shaded rose, one of the best
Scipion Cochet	...	...	Canary yellow, shaded, white, large, and double
Mdlle Augustine Guinoisseau, H.T.	...	...	Better known as white La France
Francisca Kruger	...	...	Coppery-yellow shaded peach, large and double
Marie Van Houtte	...	...	Very pale yellow, edged with rose, a grand rose
Maman Cochet	...	...	Flesh colored rose, shaded carmine, ch mp'n rose
Muriel Grahame	...	...	Pale cream tinged rose, first-class
Niphetos	...	...	Pure white, very long fine bud
Papa Gontier, H.T.	...	...	Bright rosy-crimson, long handsome bud
Rubens	...	...	White centre blush, long finely-formed buds
Rainbow	...	...	Sport from Papa Gontier, soft rose, striped carmine
Safrano	...	...	Bright apricot, best for late flowering
Souvenir de Therese Levet	...	...	Bright deep red, shaded maroon, fine bud
de Pres. Carnot	...	...	Creamy white, rosy centre, long buds
d'un Ami	...	...	Salmon-rose, large and full
Sunset	...	...	Deep apricot, large, full and good
The Bride	...	...	White, tinged with greenish yellow, extra good
The Meteor, H.T.	...	...	Deep rich crimson, best dark rose in this class

HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSES.

Bladud	...	...	White, blush centre, large and full, good show variety
Captain Haywood	...	...	Bright crimson carmine, large bold petals.
Clio	...	...	Flesh color, centre rosy pink, large, full, free flowering
Her Majesty	...	...	Clear, bright, satiny rose, centre deeper, very large
Madame Plantier, the Cemetery Rose	...	...	Pure white roses, with the loveliest clusters and sprays. You can cut great basketsful from the bushes for weeks. Hardy as an oak. Splendid for cemetery planting.
Paul Neyron	...	...	Dark rose, free blooming, the largest rose grown
Prince Camille de Rohan	...	...	Crimson maroon, shaded blood red

BANKSIAN ROSES.

These are splendid Roses for covering unsightly outhouses or fences. Yellow or white.

POLYANTHA ROSES.

The Ramblers are described amongst the Collections.

Miniature	...	...	Bunches of small, daisy-like flowers, good for border growing, only 1 ft. high
George Pernet	...	...	Delicate salmon rose, medium size flowers
Perle d'Or	...	...	Nankeen yellow, buds deep apricot ; medium size very full

CLIMBING ROSES.

Crimson and other Ramblers	...	...	See Rambler Collection.
Celine Forestier (N)	...	...	Pale yellow, coppery centre, vigorous.
Chestnut Hybrid (H.T.)	...	...	Brilliant, rosy carmine. Buds tulip shaped.
Climbing Devoniensis (T.)	...	...	Creamy white, blush centre.
Climbing La France (H.T.)	...	...	More vigorous growth than La France.
Climbing Niphetos	...	...	Pure white, long, beautiful buds.
Climbing Malmaison (B)	...	...	Pale flesh, large and double, rampant grower.
Climbing Perle des Jardins (T)	...	...	Sport from dwarf variety, best yellow.
Cloth of Gold (N)	...	...	Pale sulphur yellow, centre deeper ; a favorite.
Gloire de Dijon (T)	...	...	Yellow shaded salmon and orange.
Madame Berard (T.)	...	...	Salmon rose, shaded yellow ; does well in shade.
Reve d'or	...	...	Coppery yellow, large and full.
Sol fa Terre (N)	...	...	Pale sulphur yellow, full, free flowering, vigorous.
William Allen Richardson (N)	...	...	Rich orange yellow ; pretty bud.

A BARGAIN COLLECTION.

☛ If you want a few nice Roses, good, healthy plants, and will leave the selection altogether to me, I will send a parcel of Seven Choice named Roses, post paid, for 6/- 24 for £1.

❖❖ FRUIT TREES. ❖❖

THE Nurseries where my Fruit Trees are being grown are among the largest and best in the Colony. The trees are all clean and healthy and well-grown, and no plant will be sent out that is not likely with fair treatment to make a tree. These short lists include sufficient varieties for choice, but most other sorts that are usually listed can be supplied.

The prices of Fruit Trees do not include freight, except where specially mentioned in collections.

APPLES.

On Blight-resisting Stocks, 1/3 each, 12/- doz., £4 10s. per 100.

Striped and splashed with bright red.

BEN DAVIS.—Large dessert late, very handsome; bruises dry up instead of decaying. This is the apple that is sent to London from America and Canada by the million barrels every year; it stands shipping well, and generally tops the market. Also called New York Pippin.

CLEOPATRA.—A splendid medium-sized apple, useful for kitchen and dessert, late, constant bearer, good keeper, suitable for export.

FIVE CROWN PIPPIN.—One of our best apples, hardy, almost blight proof, good bearer, fruit keeps and carries well. Also called London Pippin.

GRAVENSTEIN.—An excellent apple for home use, not large, good quality, nearly blight-proof.

IRISH PEACH.—A favorite early apple, good bearer, blight-proof.

JONATHON.—Makes a large, long-lived tree, most delicious fruit, medium, deep red, tender, juicy, rich. A car-load of these apples was sent over to England from America for the Queen. Should be planted in alternate rows with some other sort to bear at its best. Jonathan and Ben Davis make a favorite pair.

MAIDEN'S BLUSH.—A profitable all-round apple, hardy, vigorous, prolific young bearer, long lived, pale lemon yellow, crimson cheek, flesh white and tender, first-class, market early, nearly blight-proof, early.

REINETTE DU CANADA.—A large well-known cooking apple, blight-proof, late.

RIBSTONE PIPPIN.—A splendidly-flavored apple, suitable for the cold districts, medium early.

WINTER PEARMAN.—A good reliable all-round apple, good keeper and shipper, keeps 8 or 9 months, bears very young, tree very healthy and vigorous safe to plant scores of acres. Also called Stone Pippin.

APRICOTS,

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ALLAN'S EARLY.—Earliest of all.

HEMSKIRK.—Early, rich juicy, good for drying.

MOORPARK.—Late, splendid large fruit, juicy.

ROYAL.—Late, large, good.

CHERRIES.

1/3 each, 12/- doz., £4 10s. per 100.

BIGGAREAU.—Very large, waxy white, very firm, mid-season.

BIGGAREAU NAPOLEON.—Similar to above skin bright red, good shipper.

EARLY TWYFORD.—Large, heart-shaped, skin deep red, one of the best.

FLORENCE.—Very large, skin pale amber, best for market.

MAY DUKE.—Does well on warm dry soil, large, red, early, excellent.

MORELLO.—The best for cooking and preserving, late.

St. MARGARET.—Best of all, very large, good bearer, color nearly black, late.

NECTARINES.

1/3 each, 12/- doz., £4 10s. per 100.

ELRUGE.—Fine fruit, rich color, good bearer.

IRAWARRA.—Very early Victorian variety, very good.

NEWINGTON EARLY.—Good market sort.

VICTORIA.—Very good, heavy cropper, good flavor.

PEACHES.

HAWKESBURY CHAMPION.—A grand new peach, the latest freestone, ripens from middle March to April, and will keep 20 days if not bruised, vigorous grower and heavy cropper, fruit large, even size, greenish-yellow ground and almost covered with a rich rosy bloom. 16/ a case has been offered for the fruit. A very valuable acquisition. 2/6 per tree: Order early.

PEACHES—Continued.

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